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## **Ventura Police Department to Host Two Community Meetings**

Meeting One: April 29, 6:00 pm, City Hall, Room 202, 501 Poli Street, Ventura, CA, 93001 Meeting Two: April 30, 6:00 pm, Ventura Police Department, 1425 Dowell Drive, Ventura, CA 93003

The Ventura Police Department seeks community input on the Department's three-year plan. Community members are invited to attend one of two meetings for a discussion on the future and priorities of policing.

Two meeting dates will be offered with the same content presented at each meeting. Community members will hear a presentation on crime and safety from Police Chief Ken Corney and will then break out into discussion groups with police staff to review the 2019-2022 Ventura Police Strategic Plan's measures and strategies.

"The best path to ensure future success it to prepare for it today," said Police Chief Ken Corney. "The Strategic Plan will help us do just that. While the plan does not represent all that we will do in our journey towards success, it does provide a framework that will guide us to meet the anticipated challenges for tomorrow."

The goals of the plan remain constant, but the strategies and actions evolve to meet the dynamic and every changing public safety environment. The goals include: Crime Control, Efficiency and Accountability, Safe Neighborhoods, Active Partnerships and Team Development. Each goal is accompanied by performance measures to indicate the success in goals. The performance measures include some of the key indicators used by the police department to assess crime fighting results.

"Civic engagement is an important part of community policing," said Assistant Chief Darin Schindler. "We value community feedback and look forward to meeting with residents to discuss the 2019-2022 Strategic Plan. This is an opportunity for residents to voice concerns and have questions answered. The more we work together the better our community will be."